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In Re Reissue Application of: Edem, et al.) Patent No.:
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Reissue Appln. No.: 09/443,250) Examiner:
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Filed: November 12, 1999) Group Art Unit: 2732
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For: NETWORK LINK ENDPOINT)
CAPABILITY DETECTION)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

ASSIGNEE'S STATEMENT
ESTABLISHING RIGHT OF ASSIGNEE TO TAKE
ACTION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Assignee, Vertical Networks, Inc., a corporation located in Sunnyvale, California, certifies that it is the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in the reissue patent application identified above by virtue of the chain of title from the inventors in parent application 07/971,018, filed 11/02/92, now abandoned, at Reel 6770, Frame 0980 to the assignor, National Semiconductor Corporation, of U.S. Patent No. 5,687,174, to the current Assignee as shown in the Assignment document recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office in the issued case, U.S. Patent No. 5,687,174, at Reel 9396, Frame 0689.

The undersigned has reviewed all the documents in the chain of title of the reissue patent application above, and to best of the undersigned's knowledge and belief, title is in the above identified assignee.

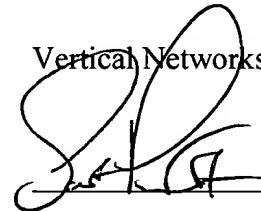
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REISSUE APPLICATION DECLARATION BY THE INVENTOR

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in patent number 5,687,174, granted 11/11/97, and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled

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the specification of which

is attached hereto.

was filed on Nov. 12, 1999 as reissue application number 09/443,250
and was amended on _____
(if applicable)

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

I verify believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, for the reasons described below. (Check all boxes that apply.)

- by reason of a defective specification or drawing.
- by reason of the patentee claiming more or less than he had the right to claim in the patent.
- by reason of other errors.

At least one error upon which reissue is based is described as follows:

BY REASON OF CLAIMING ONLY CLAIMS 1-72, WHICH IS LESS THAN THE FULL RIGHT TO CLAIM IN THE PATENT, ADDITIONAL CLAIMS ARE ADDED, FOR EXAMPLE, CLAIM 73 IN THE REISSUE APPLICATION. THIS ERROR IS RELIED UPON TO SUPPORT THE REISSUE APPLICATION.

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